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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Mr. Paul Szoke
216 Ridge Road
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Dear Mr. Szoke:

This is in reply to your letter to Congresswoman Barbara-Rose Collins regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

You are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

/s/

Joseph A. Levin
Chief, Policy & Planning Branch
Private Radio Bureau

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May 18, 1993

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Dear Ms. Belvin:

The attached letter is respectfully referred to you for review and response. Please respond directly to the constituent.

Thank you in advance for your assistance. If you have further questions please contact our office.

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January 31, 1993

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CONGRESSWOMAN
BARBARA-ROSE COLLINS
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

The Honorable Barbara-Rose Collins
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1541 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Congresswoman Collins:

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to